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## CO. BOARD HAS BUSY SESSION

Variety of Matters Handled at Monthly  
Meeting; Condemnation Proceedings  
Ordered for Road Purposes  
in Alex. Vicinity

## SEVERAL HIGHWAY PETITIONS RECEIVED

Calvert Camp; Sultins' Proposal; Pay-  
ment of Judgment for Refund of  
Taxes Ordered; Pay Claims  
for Road Dragging

The board of county commission-  
ers spent a very busy afternoon yes-  
terday, disposing of many matters, in-  
cluding a number of road cases. To-  
day's session has been occupied in the  
main with the auditing and allow-  
ance of accounts against the county.

One of the most important matters  
which came before the board at its  
afternoon session, yesterday was the  
report of the township board of Alex.  
township, submitted through its at-  
torney, Harry Hammerly, recom-  
mending that the county board in-  
stitute condemnation proceedings  
against certain properties to be tra-  
versed by a county road in Sec. 4,  
township 16 north, range 8 west. The  
petitioners also asked that the prop-  
erty owners be made to pay the cost of  
the road. Upon motion the county  
attorney was instructed to institute  
the necessary condemnation proceed-  
ings.

Following this matter and the first  
thing considered at this morning's  
session a petition was presented for  
the consideration of the board rela-  
tive to the removal of three culverts  
on the public roads of Sec. 20, town-  
ship 16 north, range 8 west. The peti-  
tioners also asked that the prop-  
erty owners be made to pay the cost of  
the road. Action upon the petition  
was deferred until such time during  
the week as the board could arrange  
to visit the locality affected and  
make a personal inspection and  
investigation.

A petition signed by H. C. Betz  
and others was presented late yes-  
terday evening asking that a public  
road be opened through Alex. and  
Bradley townships. Action upon this  
petition was deferred until the June  
meeting.

R. S. Doss was instructed to repair  
certain bridges and culverts in Chan-  
dler township across North Bill's  
creek.

Engineer Colby was instructed to  
visit Hillsboro township and locate  
and make estimates of the costs of a  
number of concrete culverts for the  
township board.

On motion Elsie Wells was author-  
ized to patch the floors of bridge in  
Hillsboro township.

It being shown to the board that a  
number of bad mudholes existed on  
the Amber-Chickasha road, John Bow-  
ers was instructed to drain and grade  
these mudholes and to use the drain  
pipes in carrying off the accumulated  
waters. In this matter it was agreed  
that the board of county commission-  
ers was to pay for the necessary til-  
ing while the township board was to  
attend to the payment of the grading  
and all other expenses.

A representative of an Iowa "cul-  
vert core" company appeared before  
the board and the board placed orders  
for two culvert cases, to cost \$200  
each, f. o. b. the factory; for one  
bridge form, 6 feet by 22 feet, to cost  
\$1,200, and for one concrete mixer to  
cost \$350, both f. o. b. factory.

The matter of paying judgments  
against the county of Grady in the  
sum total of \$1,476.49, the same rep-  
resenting refunds of taxes which  
have been collected on Indian, or  
nontaxable lands, was taken up and  
the county clerk instructed to draw  
a warrant in the above amount, the  
warrant to be made payable to Bond  
and Melton, attorneys for the plain-  
tiffs in the cases and to be payable  
from the sinking fund.

Road dragging accounts were aud-  
ited and approved to the following in-  
dividuals for work on the roads here-  
in named during the month of April:  
A. H. Howe, 3 1/2 miles on the Alex.  
Ninnekah road; R. P. Froneberger,

5 1/2 miles on the Minco-Pocasset road;  
V. P. Shipley, 4 miles on the Chikasha-  
Pocasset road; J. M. Taylor, 3 1/2  
miles on the Chickasha-Tabler road;  
Ray Hill, 3 miles on the Chickasha-  
Verden road; J. S. McCann, 5 miles  
on the Rush Springs-Marlow road;  
Jerry Mitchell, 2 1/2 miles on the Rush  
Springs-Marlow road; Jerry Mitchell,  
3 miles on the Rush Springs-Edin  
road; S. A. Roberts, 5 miles on the  
Minco-Pocasset road; S. A. Roberts,  
8 miles on the Dutton-Pocasset road.  
T. M. Kelley was refused a reduc-  
tion asked in his taxes from \$2,910 to  
\$1,165.

W. H. Kelley was authorized to pur-  
chase a ticket from Pocasset to Can-  
yon City, Texas, for T. T. Bennett, a  
county charge.

G. B. Harris asked the board to as-  
sist a brother who was suffering with  
a cancer. An allowance in the sum of  
\$30 was ordered.

Mrs. N. E. Jones was allowed \$2.50  
per week, under the compulsory edu-  
cation law, the allowance to date  
from April 1st and to end May 19th.

## MEETING HELD BY REPUBS.

A meeting of the Republican county  
committee was held Monday af-  
ternoon in the room adjoining the of-  
fice of the Grady County Star, pre-  
sided over by Chairman Sanders of  
Minco, with E. Hamilton acting sec-  
retary.

Plans were considered for getting  
all Republican voters to register. It  
was also decided to call a mass meet-  
ing for June 15, following the national  
convention. At that time it is ex-  
pected that arrangements will be  
made for putting a county ticket in  
the field in Grady.

It is reported that from fifteen to  
eighteen members of the committee  
were present at the meeting, with  
complete harmony prevailing.

## TALK OVER FAIR PLANS

On account of no quorum present  
the Grady County Free Fair board  
failed to meet yesterday as called.  
Only seven of the forty-two board  
members were present, while eighteen  
are necessary to make a quorum. The  
seven who attended were W. E. Show-  
en, of Minco; J. E. Ware, of Tabler;  
G. W. Richardson, of Dutton; F. M.  
McElroy, of Amber; J. W. Kaysor, of  
Chickasha; L. W. Helm, of Pocasset;  
C. C. Kline, of Hillsboro.

Mr. Cooper, county demonstration  
agent and ex-officio member of the  
fair board, stated this morning that  
those who came in yesterday assem-  
bled at the rooms of the Grady Coun-  
ty Commercial and Farm Bureau and  
talked over matters of general inter-  
est to the fair and made suggestions  
which will probably be followed when  
the board shall meet. The seven  
members of the board present submit-  
ted the township committees of their  
respective townships for approval, but  
action upon the same was deferred  
until there should be a quorum pres-  
ent, at which time the names of com-  
mitteemen from every township  
would be submitted. As this matter  
has been agreed upon the township  
board members will submit to the ex-  
ecutive board the names of all to  
serve upon the committees and, should  
no objections be raised, the executive  
board will confirm the appointments.

Mr. Cooper stated that he did not  
know at just what date the meeting  
of the board would now be held, but  
he further said that the executive  
board will take action upon all nec-  
essary matters and arrange the pre-  
liminary lists within the next two  
weeks.

In referring to the premiums which  
will be arranged for the township  
fairs, Mr. Cooper said that he had  
written the attorney general for an  
opinion regarding the limit to which  
the county board might go in the mat-  
ter and that as soon as a reply should  
be received from Oklahoma City ac-  
tion would be taken.

Mrs. R. W. Murray and children  
will leave tomorrow for Washington,  
Kan., where they will spend two  
weeks with Mrs. Murray's father and  
sisters.

## LATEST PHOTO OF MR. AND MRS. WILSON



President and Mrs. Wilson photographed as they were leaving Continental  
hall in Washington, where the president had addressed the Daughters of the  
American Revolution.

## ANSWER OF GERMANY IS COMPLETED

Verbal Alterations Possible But No Change  
in Character; May Be Cabled to  
Washington Tonight; Break  
Not in Sight

By United Press.

Berlin, May 2.—Ambassador Gerard  
turned to the embassy here this af-  
ternoon.

By United Press.

Berlin, May 2.—The German reply  
to the last American note concerning  
submarine warfare is completed and  
though alterations may yet be made  
in the phraseology of the text, no  
change in the character of the com-  
munication is contemplated. The  
note may be cabled to Washington  
tonight, it is reported.

A message from Washington was  
received by the American embassy  
here and was immediately forwarded  
to Ambassador Gerard yesterday. It  
explained the law points involved in  
the controversy.

Gerard is expected to return from  
his conference with the Kaiser this  
afternoon. He will probably cable a  
report on the conference to Washing-  
ton, accompanying it with a private  
message to President Wilson from the  
Kaiser.

There has been no change in the  
situation since the United Press re-  
cently stated positively that there  
will be no break in the relations be-  
tween the two nations.

## GIVES BLOOD TO SAVE WIFE'S LIFE

L. A. Adcock, a farmer living near  
Comanche, gave his wife over a quart  
and a half of his blood this morning  
in an effort to save her life.

Mrs. Adcock had been ill for sev-  
eral years and when she was brought  
to the Chickasha hospital a few days  
ago, it was found necessary to oper-  
ate. Because of her lack of blood the  
physicians said she could not survive  
the operation in her present condi-  
tion, and asked if any of her relatives  
or friends would volunteer the trans-  
fusion of their blood. Her husband,  
a robust man, promptly offered to un-  
dergo the ordeal.

Both parties were reported to be  
doing satisfactorily after the trans-  
fusion.

Misses White and Roe Helm of  
Norge are the guests of Mrs. C. F.  
Venable.

Miss Stella Campbell of Union  
City attended the dance at the Coun-  
try club last night.

## 500 KILLED IN DUBLIN FIGHTING

Fifteen Hundred More Injured; Many Dead  
Found Among Ruins; Detachment  
Wiped Out Last Night; Some  
Still Resisting

## TAKING OF TRENCHES CLAIMED BY FRENCH

Gains are Made on Deadmen's Hill; Great  
Rejoicing in Paris; Germans  
Assert that Attacks are  
Repulsed

By United Press.

Dublin, May 2.—The completion of  
the canvas made by soldiers, shows  
the seven days' fighting to have re-  
sulted in five hundred killed, with fif-  
teen hundred injured. Many dead  
are reported to have been found in  
ruins while it is thought that many  
more remain in the debris. Hospi-  
tals are overflowing with women and  
other non-combatants.

A rebel detachment at Westland  
station was annihilated last night  
with machine guns. A few rebels,  
however, are still resisting, but the  
city is again becoming normal and  
shops are re-opening.

All active rebels are to be tried in  
London and will be liable to execu-  
tion should they be convicted. Sev-  
eral hundred of these have arrived.  
Those suspected of sympathizing with  
the Sinn Feiners may be tried by  
Irish courts.

Fifty additional rebels were arrest-  
ed last night. One witness states he  
saw Countess Markievicz lead the  
attack on Dublin castle and fire the  
first shot which killed a policeman.

By United Press.

Drogheda, Ireland, May 2.—Four  
police officers were wounded and  
eight rebels captured when a party of  
Sinn Feiners attacked at Garristown,  
sixteen miles northwest of Dublin.  
Slight disturbances continue in Dub-  
lin and suburbs.

General Conscription.

By United Press.

London, May 2.—Asquith has an-  
nounced in the House of Commons  
that the British government has de-  
cided upon the policy of an immedi-  
ate general compulsory enlistment  
throughout England. This step is ex-  
pected to add from 300,000 to 600,000  
more men to the English armies.

The announcement comes as a sur-  
prise as it had been expected the vol-  
untary enlistment plan would be given  
a few weeks further trial. The com-  
pulsory enlistment plan would be a  
great victory for Minister of Munitions  
Lloyd George.

French Jubilant.

By United Press.

Paris, May 2.—Great jubilation pre-  
vails on account of the capture by the  
French troops of 350 yards of trench-  
es southeast of Douaumont, and 1,000  
yards of front to a depth of from 300  
to 600 yards on Deadmen's Hill. This  
is considered an indication that the  
German offensive has been checked  
and that the French are now on the  
offensive. The news today caused  
great rejoicing in Paris.

German Report.

By United Press.

Berlin, May 2.—Following a hard  
hand struggle lasting for hours the  
Germans have repulsed the attacks  
of the French south of Douaumont, in  
Caillette forest. German forces are  
retaining their positions.

By United Press.

Athens, May 2.—According to dis-  
patches received today, the Turkish  
troop ship, Chirkothairie, was sunk  
in the sea of Marmora by a British  
submarine.

INDIANS ON VISIT.

A party of eleven Kiowa and Apa-  
che full-bloods passed through Chick-  
asha this morning en route to their  
home in Anadarko. They had been  
visiting in Pawnee and wore all their  
"glad rags," their regalia outshining  
Joseph's coat of many colors. They  
were a friendly party, but suspicious  
of advances and when one squaw was  
asked, "Speak English?" she answer-  
ed, "Why?"

## CHIEF OF THE CHOCTAWS



Victor M. Locke of Antlers, Okla.,  
principal chief of the Choctaw tribe of  
Indians, takes care of his 20,799 peo-  
ple. He has succeeded in having man-  
datory pass a bill paying to each man,  
woman and child of the tribe \$300 of  
money owing them. This job out of  
the way, he enrolled for the first mil-  
itary camp at Plattburg, N. Y., begin-  
ning June 5.

## LEAVE FOR MEETING OF FEDERATION

Mrs. R. E. Davenport, president of  
the fifth district Federation of Wo-  
men's clubs, Mrs. J. C. Terrell and  
Mrs. R. K. Wootton, went to Marlow  
this morning where they were guests  
at a luncheon given today at noon by  
the Coterie club of that city. The  
luncheon was complimentary to Mrs.  
Davenport and the other district of-  
ficers. From Marlow the ladies will  
go to Duncan to attend the annual dis-  
trict convention.

Chickasha will be well represented  
on the convention program. Presi-  
dent G. W. Austin of the O. C. W.  
will make an address, and Misses Por-  
ter, Carson and Melton, college in-  
structors, are scheduled for musical  
numbers. Dr. John A. Wray, pastor of  
the Baptist church, will speak to  
the club women and Dr. Marth Black-  
soe will read a paper on "Public  
Health."

Others expecting to attend the con-  
vention from Chickasha are, Mes-  
sames Gorman, Cavanaugh, Barefoot,  
Imman, Cochran and B. P. Smith of  
Socorro club, and Misses Hazel Ows-  
ley, Adele Wantland and Dorothy  
Stone and Mrs. T. H. Trawick of Mac-  
dowell club.

## RUSSIA STILL DRY AFTER WAR

By United Press.

Petrograd, May 2.—Russia will con-  
tinue "dry" after the war, so far as  
vodka is concerned. The limited sale  
of beer and light wines will be per-  
mitted.

The bill for both prohibition and  
limitations has been introduced in  
the duma and its passage is assured.  
The czar and his advisors approve it.  
Finland is not included.

"It is forbidden to produce alcohol  
for vodka," says the bill, "or to im-  
port alcohol."

Alcohol production for mechanical  
and medicinal purposes is authorized  
only by the government. Its sale, ex-  
cept by the government, is prohibi-  
ted. The order against production will  
include individuals, even though  
their product be only for their own  
household consumption.

The sale of beer and light wines  
will be prohibited except in towns.  
Local councils may prohibit it alto-  
gether.

The government also will limit the  
percentage of alcohol in both beers  
and wines.

## BLUE BOOK IS CARRIED BY SWISS

Military System Requires Every Man to  
Bear With Him; Little Volume Con-  
taining Likeness and Record  
of Service

## GIVES CENTRAL GOV'T GRIP ON ALL CITIZENS

Plan Might Go Against Grain in Good Old  
U. S. A. where Idea of State  
Sovereignty is Still Strongly  
in Favor

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Note:—This is the second  
of a series of articles by Shep-  
herd dealing with the Swiss  
system of military training for  
citizens, in its relation to the  
possibilities of a similar sys-  
tem in the United States.—Ed-  
itor.

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(By William G. Shepherd, United  
Press Staff Correspondent.)

Berne, May 2.—A little blue book,  
Mr. American, with your name and  
your photograph and a score of facts  
about your life written in it, which  
you would carry in your pocket all  
the time, would be the token of the  
upheaval in American life which  
would be caused by the introduction  
of the Swiss military system, in its  
entirety, in the United States.

"Here's my book," said Luigi Corti,  
a storekeeper of Chassas, who used  
to live in Texas. "Every Swiss must  
carry his book with him. When I go  
to the bank I take it. When I go to  
a strange Swiss city I'm asked for it.  
I show it when I register at the hotel,  
when I draw money, when I send a  
telegram. My book shows how much  
military service I've done. If I ne-  
glected my duty my book will show it."

"Do you think Americans would  
like to have to carry books like  
that?"

"Not the kind of Americans I used  
to know in Texas twenty years ago.  
Americans don't like their govern-  
ment to interfere with them," said  
Luigi.

Luigi was in the American army  
during the Spanish-American war.

"This little book," he explained, "is  
issued by the federal government.  
Even in Texas the folks got along  
alright with the mayor and the police-  
men and the sheriff, but the minute  
you say 'United States Marshal' they  
pricked up their ears."

"American folks don't like to be  
governed by Washington."

Luigi Corti has his Texas folks  
right. He had a lot of other Ameri-  
cans right, too. This little blue book  
would mean that you were tabbed  
and listed by the federal government.

Some years ago this would have  
seemed more un-American than it  
does today, because in reality you  
are now tabbed and listed on the fed-  
eral income rolls. But this little book  
of military service and citizenship  
would keep you in your niche, right  
under the eye of the federal military  
authorities, all the time.

If you left Chicago to live in Cleve-  
land you would be forced to have your  
military book revised by the military  
commander of the city you were leav-  
ing and signed by the commander in  
the city to which you moved.

A centralized government would  
have its grip on you. Even the Swiss,  
after eighteen months of war, are be-  
coming restless under the central mil-  
itary control of Berne. In peace  
times the local commander is an offi-  
cer, chosen by the soldiers in the lo-  
cal troops; he is always a man from  
the neighborhood.

But during the war high officers  
from Berne have gone to the various  
corners of Switzerland to take con-  
trol and the independent Swiss citi-  
zens don't like it. Not any more than  
Americans in California would like to  
have an army officer from Washing-  
ton come and rule their lives and ac-  
tions. There have been half a dozen  
parliamentary quarrels in the Swiss  
congress within the last four months  
over this matter.

The little blue book, issued by the

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